

GENERAL NEWS.

Ottawa, May 8. Judge Hayes, of the Supreme Court, had been eight or ten days confined to his bed by illness.

The new libel bill which was introduced by the Minister of Justice provides that the proprietor, publisher, editor or other person charged with the publication of a defamatory libel, shall be liable in the same manner as if the newspaper is published in such person's name.

Mr. Davis gives notice of amendment to the new Tariff Bill, to be introduced by him, by providing for the creation of an executive council of nine, under the direction of the President of the Senate.

The Minister of Justice, gives notice to-night, of a Bill to amend the Tariff Act.

Ottawa, May 8.—In the House, to-day, 98 Yeas, and 10 Nays, the bill to amend the Tariff Act, was passed.

The conflict in Russell culminated in a veritable surprise, Edwards being returned by about 500 majority.

Mr. Davis urged the Government to grant a ship to the Regina volunteers south of Moose Jaw and other places, and transfers who took part in the rebellion. Sir A. C. C. said, with the new arguments Mr. Davis had presented, he would re-consider the claims of the Regina volunteers and hoped to be able to meet their wishes, but he was bound by act of parliament.

CHICAGO, May 8.—Lewis, the strangler and champion wrestler of America, defeated Wagon, the Cornishman and champion of England, in three straight bouts to-night.

MONTREAL, May 4.—The customs authorities seized about \$75,000 worth of goods to day consigned to King, Tsching & Co. The goods were about 50 per cent. under value.

LONDON, May 4.—Joseph Chamberlain, at a reception given by his brother, declared he would never again ally himself with his former colleagues. He spoke of organizing a new party to be called the Unionists or National party. The Tory party, he said, was dead. Therefore Radicals need not scruple to join the new party especially as the Tories have become Parnellites and had not adhered to a single Liberal measure. He would be the last man to join such a party as the Parnellites now. He earnestly besought the Radicals to follow his example in cutting the last ties that bound them to a sinking vessel.

TOWN COUNCIL.

The regular meeting of the council was held on Monday evening last, Acting Mayor Stewart presiding. The councilmen present were: McPhail, Johnson, Knowles, Davidson and Agnew.

COMMUNICATIONS.

Correspondence was read from Messrs. Brewster & McKay re grant of Baker street across the R. C. property, lot No. 72.

A telegram was next read from the delegates at Ottawa which gave great satisfaction.

A petition, signed by a large number of ratepayers, was presented, asking that a sidewalk be laid down from Clark's to Jackson's drug store, which was referred to the Board of Works.

REPORTS.

Coun. Johnson reported that the lowest price placed on the church property was \$3,500. An effort was made to get the chairman of the Finance Committee to introduce a by-law for the purchase of said property, but it was lost on a vote. Coun. Johnson announced his intention of making the motion.

Coun. Johnson, on behalf of the special committee appointed to wait on Sheriff Hughes, reported that Mr. Hughes had promised \$100 for the improvement of the street leading up to the Court House and the Government road. The matter was referred to the Board of Works.

Coun. Davis, chairman of the special committee to confer with the hand-master who is to re-organize the band and have full control of its management. The report was received and referred back for its final completion.

Considerable amount of sparring took place during the evening and was very amusing to the spectators.



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